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## *Youth Resiliency: Assessing Developmental Strengths Questionnaire*

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Dear Parent/Guardian of Grades 4 to 8 Students,

I would like to share some information about an activity that your child will be participating in during the coming weeks.

All students in Grades 4 to 8 from our school and Waterloo Catholic are taking part in a questionnaire about "Youth Resiliency" during the weeks of February 1<sup>st</sup> to March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The "Youth Resiliency" questionnaire is an important part of the work we are doing at our school. It will take approximately 60 minutes to complete and was developed to gather general information about young people in our Catholic school community.

The purpose of this questionnaire is to gather information about student's strengths such as self-confidence, desire to achieve, relationships, attitudes and behaviours that can be used to support appropriate student services and programs in the school and community. This questionnaire will provide us with a better understanding of the strengths and needs of young people by understanding how they perceive themselves, their surroundings, and their perceptions of the interactions they have with adults in their lives. The results from this questionnaire will help us as a school to support the healthy developmental of our students.

This questionnaire is not a test and will not be used to evaluate any one particular student, nor be used for report cards, diagnosis or psychological assessment purposes. Your child's responses to the questions are confidential and anonymous. The information at the school level is used to inform activities to enhance school engagement, positive learning experience and academic success. The results from the survey will be presented in an anonymous format by gender and grade for this school. However, Board level trends will be shared with community partners to inform and direct services within Waterloo Region. All collected data will be stored in a secure, password-protected network drive at Meritcore and on an encrypted server.

We are pleased to be part of this work and look forward to using the information from the questionnaire to support students and strengthen our school environment. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

R. Bumbacco Sodaro, Principal

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***Please return bottom portion of this form to the school office if you do not wish  
your child to take part in the questionnaire by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.***

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Please withdraw my child from participation in the *Youth Resiliency: Assessing Developmental Strengths Questionnaire*.

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_